Permission to foreign airlines to operate on Gulf-Trivandrum sector

2273. SHRI E. BALANANDAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to permit foreign airlines to operate on Gulf Trivandrum sector to make it more competitive; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Import of Omnatex Injection

2274. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to Unstarred Question 1319 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 20th August, 1990 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Omnatex Injection is being sold at a very high price;

(b) if so, what is the price of each strength;

(c) what was the import of the injection during 1989-90 value-wise; and quantity-wise;

(d) what are the reasons for keeping Fortum Injection and Omnatex Injection outside price control when they are considered essential and worth importing even duty free; and

(e) what are the names of other drugs and finished imported medicines of these companies exempted from price control?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) and (b) Omnatex Injections are based on bulk drugs, Cefotaxime Sodium which is presently being imported. Whereas the prices of Scheduled formulations are fixed as per the provisions contrained in the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987, Govt. keeps a constant watch on the prices of Non-Scheduled formulations. Whenever an abnormal increase is noticed, Government intervenes to ensure that the prices are brought to reasonable levels. As per available information, prices of Omnatex Injections in different strengths are as under:

Strength	Price (Rs.)
250 mg. Injection (1 Amp.)	44.34
1 gm. Injection (1 Amp.)	156.00

(c) Omnatex Injections are not being imported. These are being manufactured based on imported bulk drugs namely Cefotaxime Sodium. Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals do not monitor company-wise imports. However, as per available information, the total imports of Cefotaxime Sodium during 1988-89 were of the Order of 1136.47 kgs. at an estimated landed cost of Rs. 564.70 lakhs. Similar data for the year 1989-90 is not readily available.

(d) Both Fortum and Omnatex Injections are based on Non-Scheduled bulk drugs and hence are outside price control. The bulk drugs in controlled categories are based on the recommendations made by the Kelkar Committee in its Main as well as Supplementary Report which was accepted by the then Government.

(e) The required information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Plans to develop mini gas fields

2275. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have plans to develop mini gas fields by using urban and rural land industrial wastes, based on the concept of waste re-cycling and resource recovery systems by setting up a number of waste based plants;

(b) if so, what are the details of the plan; and

(c) what steps are being taken in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) to (c) So far about 580 Community and Industrial Biogas Plants have been set up in various parts of the country for generating biogas and production of manure. Besides cooking, biogas is also being used for small scale power generation and water pumping etc. at several sites.

It is proposed to further develop this programme during the Eighth Plan period on the basis of waste recycling and resource recovery systems. The details will be known when the Eighth Plan has been finalised.

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12.00 NOON

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Summary of Actuals (1988-89), Budget Estimates and Revised Estimates (1989-90) and Budget Estimates (1990-91) of the Air India.

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): I lay on the Table a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

(i) Summary of Actuals 1988-89, Budget Estimates and Revised Estimates for 1989-90 and Budget Estimates for the year 1990-91 of the Air-India. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT—1238/90.]

(ii) Summary of Budget Estimates for Revenues and Expenditure for the year 1990-91 of the Air-India. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT—1239/90]

Notifications of the Ministry of Petroleum and Chemicals

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): I lay on the Table, under sub-section (6) of section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955, a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Petroleum and Chemicals:—

(i) S.O. No. 173(E), dated the 27th February, 1990, publishing the Drugs (Prices Control) Amendment Order, 1990.

(ii) S.O. No. 541(E), dated the 6th July, 1990, publishing the Drugs (Prices Control) Amendment Order, 1990. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT—1240/90 for (i) and (ii)]

Report and Accounts (1982-83 to 1984-85) of the Rajasthan State Dairy Development Corporation Limited, Jaipur and related papers

कृषि मंत्रालय में कृषि और सहकारिता विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री निटिश कुमार) मैं निम्नलिखित पत्रों की सभा पटल पर रखता हूं :

I. कम्पनी अधिनियम, 1956 की धारा 619क की उप-धारा (1) के अधीन निम्नलिखित पत्रों की एक-एक प्रति (अंग्रेजी तथा हिन्दी में) :—

(i) (क) 1982-83 के वर्ष के लिये राजस्थान राज्य डेरी विकास निगम लिमिटेड, जयपुर का वार्षिक प्रतिवेदन और लेखे, लेखों पर लेखा परीक्षकों के प्रतिवेदन और उस पर भारत के नियंत्रक महालेखापरीक्षक की टिप्पणियों सहित ।

(ख) उपयुक्त प्रतिवेदन को स्वीकार करते हुए सरकार द्वारा विवरण । [पुस्तकालय में रखी गई । (क) और (ख) के लिए देखिये सं एल टी 1360/90]

(ii) (क) 1983-84 के वर्ष के लिये राजस्थान राज्य डेरी विकास निगम लिमिटेड, जयपुर का वार्षिक प्रतिवेदन और लेखे, लेखों पर लेखा परीक्षकों के प्रतिवेदन और उस पर भारत के नियंत्रक महालेखापरीक्षक की टिप्पणियों सहित ।